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## State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING



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Re: Response to April 2, 1999 Letter, Horizon Mining, LLC, Horizon Mine, ACT/007/020, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Ms. Dragoo:

The Division is in receipt of your letter dated April 2, 1999 (fax date). The assumption about the requirement for a mining plan approval is incorrect. There is a difference between "federal coal" included in the approved right-of-way (UTU-73227) and "leased federal coal" that is included in federal coal lease UTU-74804. "Leased federal coal" requires a mining plan approval. The submittal for the 46-acre incidental boundary change (received at the Division on March 26, 1999) will require a federal mining plan approval prior to mining leased federal coal.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Pamela Grubaugh-Littig

Permit Supervisor